

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Mario CONTORNI

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For: LIQUID VACCINES FOR MULTIPLE  
MENINGOCOCCAL SEROGROUPS

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Examiner: A. M. Navarro

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated April 14, 2010 (Paper No. 20100410), for which a response was due on July 14, 2010. A Notice of Appeal and a Petition for a three months' extension of time was filed October 14, 2010. Filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for a four month's extension of time. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.